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Office of the President

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Dr. Joshua Lederberg President The Rockefeller University 1230 York Avenue New York, New York 10021

Dear Dr. Lederberg:

As Dr. Cooper has already advised you and the Faculty Councils, the interinstitutional framework of the Medical College's new Department of Genetics and the need to move with some speed to develop it, we are departing from the usual search committee structure and appointing a special committee to conduct the search process for a chairperson. I hope you will agree to serve on this committee, the other members of which are Drs. Lewis Thomas and Robert A. Good of Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center; and Drs. Walter F. Riker, Hibbard E. Williams, and William R. Grafe of Cornell University Medical College.

The committee will meet on the call of Dr. Cooper. I request that you conduct an intensive search, including efforts to identify female and minority candidates, in the hope that we can fill the position in January and have the new department developed by July 1, 1979.

I appreciate your help and I wish you success.

Sincerely,

Frank H.T. Rhodes President

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